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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2006.